



Geography

(GCSE)



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Why study Geography?

Geography will help you develop a wide range of transferable knowledge and skills. Such as the ability:

- to understand the Earth's physical and human systems, and their impact on global issues such as climate change and refugees.
- to understand the environment at local and global scales.
- To explore your world through fieldwork and investigating current issues.
- to know where places in the world are - without having to use Google!

What key knowledge, concepts and skills will I learn?

Course content

At EPCHS we follow the Eduqas A specification including:

- Development and resource issues.
- Landscapes and physical processes in rivers and at coastlines.
- Challenges in rural and urban areas, along with solutions to these.
- Tectonic processes and hazards.
- Weather, climate and ecosystems.

Transferable and employable skills:

- Problem-solving
- Ability to read, analyse and construct maps and graphs for a variety of purposes and audiences.
- Primary and secondary research and report writing.

What attitudes and qualities are required to do well?

Geography GCSE requires students who are interested thinkers and explorers who want to know how the world works in both the physical and human aspects. You need to be able to work with data, including some basic statistics. If you enjoy Geography at KS3 and have a real interest in discovering more about our world then GCSE Geography is for you.

How will I be assessed?

100% examination

2 content exam papers – largely structured response questions, a small amount of extended response answers. Some statistical questions.

1 fieldwork exam paper – preparation for this will include fieldwork trips.

Which other subjects link into this course?

Geography complements all other humanities subjects and will also strongly support your learning in science, maths and business.

What career options are open to me?

Geography has one of the highest rates of graduate employability, this is due to it being highly valued by employers worldwide and the range of transferable skills it brings. It can directly lead to jobs in areas such as renewable energy, geological surveying, urban management, overseas aid and many more.

For more information please visit:

<https://www.rgs.org/geography/studying-geography-and-careers/>